

"Yes" on rollcall vote 386, on Passage of H.R. 5540, the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Continuing Authorization Act;

"Yes" on rollcall vote 387, on Motion To Suspend the Rules and Pass, as amended, the Public Land Communities Transition Act of 2007, H.R. 3058.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF CALN
TOWNSHIP CHIEF OF POLICE
JOHN BENNETT

HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 11, 2008

Mr. GERLACH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a dedicated public servant from Chester County, Pennsylvania, who is leaving after a nearly six-year career with the Caln Township Police Department to accept the position of Chief of Police with Paradise Valley, Arizona.

Chief of Police John Bennett joined the Caln Township Police Department as Chief of Police in June 30, 2002, replacing the retiring Chief James Franciscus. Prior to his time as Chief of Police in Caln Township, Chief Bennett served as Deputy Chief of Police of Marple Township in Delaware County, Pennsylvania, and has served in law enforcement for over 36 years in Delaware and Chester Counties.

As Chief of Police, John oversaw a department of 20 officers, with a lieutenant, four sergeants, and two investigators. John's leadership has helped make the Caln Township Police Department a first class law enforcement agency. During his six-year tenure as Chief of Police, Chief Bennett was instrumental in establishing an investigative division, creating a bicycle patrol unit and the Youth Aid Panel. Also during this time, John was responsible for sending two officers to the FBI National Academy.

In addition to his duties as Chief of Police, Chief Bennett also served on several executive boards and committees, notably on the Executive Board of the Chester County Chiefs of Police, the Civil Rights Committee for the International Chiefs of Police, the Legislative Committee for the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police, and as Committee Chair of the Chester County Major Incident Response Team. Chief Bennett's service and accomplishments will be celebrated on Thursday, June 12, 2008 at the Caln Township Municipal Building.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me today in praising the outstanding service of Chief of Police John Bennett, and all those who take an oath to serve and protect their communities.

HONORING DEBORAH A. YOW

HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 11, 2008

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, I am pleased to congratulate the University of Maryland's Deborah A. Yow on her selection as the next President of the Division 1A Athletic Directors'

Association. Ms. Yow is the first woman to fill this national leadership role, responsible for coordinating the efforts of collegiate athletic directors at 1,600 colleges and universities across the United States and Canada.

The Association's Executive Director, Dutch Baughman, praised Ms. Yow as "an extremely capable and effective leader." He added that "She has not only influenced the lives of over 450 athletics administrators over the past seven years, but she has been evaluated by those [fellow administrators] as the best."

After 14 years of success at the University of Maryland, her national role is well-earned. Overseeing 27 sports and more than 700 student-athletes, Debbie Yow has built a reputation as one of America's most accomplished athletic leaders. Under her leadership, Maryland teams have won 17 national championships, while maintaining balanced budgets and a high graduation rate of 85 percent. In fact, last year's graduation rate was the highest in the history of Maryland athletics and the best of any public institution in the Atlantic Coast Conference. Ms. Yow has excelled as an educator, an administrator, and a fundraiser, and has repeatedly been ranked among the 20 most influential people in collegiate athletics. At the same time, she has served in public life as an advocate for women's sports and the protection of Title IX.

Her new position is the capstone on a career dedicated to the highest purposes of college athletics: Debbie Yow's work shows that "student-athlete" is far from an empty expression. I thank her for all that she has done for our State, its flagship university, and its students. And I wish her the best of luck, both in her continuing duties as University of Maryland Athletic Director and as a voice for athletic directors throughout North America.

IN HONOR OF REVEREND DR. OTIS
MOSS JR.

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 11, 2008

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Reverend Dr. Otis Moss Jr. A profoundly respected and influential member of the Greater Cleveland community and a leader of greater Cleveland's civic culture, Dr. Otis Moss Jr. is this year's recipient of Cleveland's NAACP's Freedom Award.

The Freedom Award is the highest form of recognition awarded by Cleveland's NAACP and is awarded to members of the community who have dedicated their lives to fostering social change and building a society based on the ideals of equality and justice. Dr. Otis Moss Jr., a resident of the Cleveland area for over thirty years, carries with him a rich history of public service and advocacy, especially in the African-American community. Born in rural Georgia and a graduate of Morehouse College in Atlanta, he worked along side Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., leading sit-ins and advocating for desegregation during the civil rights era.

He became a pastor in 1954, serving in various Baptist Churches throughout Georgia until 1961, when he moved to Mount Zion Baptist Church in Cincinnati. In this capacity, he continued fighting for equality locally by challenging discrimination in the workplace. Dr.

Otis Moss Jr. left his position at Mount Zion Baptist Church to march once again alongside Martin Luther King Jr. in Alabama and Washington and to serve as Co-Pastor with Martin Luther King Sr. at Alabama's Ebenezer Baptist Church. He later returned to Ohio in 1974, to lead one of Cleveland's largest and most prominent churches, Olivet Institutional Baptist Church. He has served as Senior Pastor of Olivet Institutional Baptist Church for over thirty years, working closely with the greater Cleveland community in continuing the fight for civil rights and access to quality medical care. In the late 1990's, he worked with University Hospitals to create the Otis Moss Jr. Medical Center in the Fairfax neighborhood of Cleveland, bringing desperately needed resources and access to quality health care to its residents.

Dr. Otis Moss Jr.'s ability to mobilize the community and to advocate for the social welfare of others has been manifested in the various leadership roles he has played. His leadership has served as an undeniable source of inspiration to many who want social justice.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in recognition of Reverend Dr. Otis Moss Jr., who has dedicated his life to serving his Church and the Greater Cleveland community. Let his advocacy on behalf of the welfare of others serve as inspiration for all those in pursuit of social justice.

TRIBUTE TO BILL KIBBY

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 11, 2008

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Bill Kibby and to congratulate him on being inducted into the Iowa Athletic Directors Hall of Fame.

Bill Kibby has been a teacher and coach for 44 years, 40 of which he has been an athletic director. His educational career began as a teacher at Bayard Consolidated School. At Bayard he was involved in coaching football, basketball, cross country, and track. He then began his tenure at Johnston High School where, in 1967, he became the school's athletic director. After his service in Johnston, Mr. Kibby moved to Fort Dodge where he was St. Edmond Catholic High School's football coach and athletic director for 21 years. For 16 of those years he also helped coach track, but resigned when he accepted the position of principal at Sacred Heart Junior High School. During his time at St. Edmond and Sacred Heart he also made time to coach basketball and softball.

In 1988, Mr. Kibby took his final position in his stellar educational career at Jefferson-Scranton. Upon his retirement in 2006, Mr. Kibby continued to coach football at Jefferson-Scranton.

In his long and illustrious career Mr. Kibby can boast of many exemplary achievements. During his time as a coach, his football teams combined have claimed over 200 victories, including more than 100 wins at two different schools, and 11 state football play-off contests.

Mr. Kibby has also been bestowed with many noteworthy individual awards. In 2006 he was named IFCA Coach of the Year and